

5-21-04

BDAC

PATENT  
Atty. Docket 2373

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

#13

Applicant(s): Zhang

Examiner: Sanders, K

Serial No.: 09/580,884

Group: 1714

Filed: May 30, 2000

For: Bioabsorbable Blends and Surgical Articles Therefrom

RECEIVED

MAY 26 2004

OFFICE OF PETITIONS

Mail Stop: Petition  
Commissioner For Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT  
ABANDONED UNINTENTIONALLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.137(b)**

SIR:

In Response to the Decision mailed December 17, 2003, dismissing the Petition for Revival Of Unavoidable Abandoned Application, which was filed on December 2, 2003, applicant hereby states the entire delay in filing the required response from the due date for the reply until the filing of this Petition was unintentional.

Therefore, Applicants respectfully petition for revival of the above-identified application under the provisions of 37 CFR § 1.137 (a).

The reply to the outstanding Office Action dated February 2, 2001 is enclosed.

Please charge the petition fee of \$1,330.00 as required under 37 CFR § 1.17 (L) to Deposit Account No. 21-0550.

All the requirements of 37 CFR § 1.137 (A) having been complied with, it is respectfully requested that this application be restored to pending status.

05/24/2004 EFLORES 00000097 210550 09580884

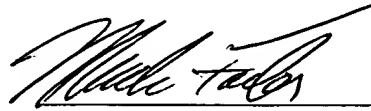
01 FC:1453 1330.00 DA

The commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for this application, or credit any over payment to Deposit Account No. 21-0550.

**TWO (2) COPIES OF THIS PETITION INCLUDING THIS SHEET ARE ENCLOSED.**

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: May 20, 2004

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Mark Farber', is written over a horizontal line.

Mark Farber  
Attorney for Applicant  
Reg. No. 34,159

Mark Farber  
C/O  
United States Surgical, a division of  
Tyco Healthcare Group LP  
150 Glover Avenue  
Norwalk, CT 06856  
(203) 845-1480